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Applicant: Thomas G. Woolston

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**PETITION OBJECTING TO IMPROPER THIRD-PARTY PARTICIPATION IN
EXAMINATION OF PENDING APPLICATION BY EBAY, INC, AND REQUESTING
THAT THE OFFICE EXPUNGE IMPROPER THIRD-PARTY FILING OF EBAY, INC.**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

On April 22, 2005, adjudicated willful infringer eBay, Inc. (“eBay”), filed documents in every pending patent application assigned to and owned by MercExchange, LLC (“MercExchange” or the “Patent Owner”), consisting of more than 53 pages of adversarial argument. In these filings, eBay asked that the United States Patent and Trademark Office (“the Office”) “take notice” of eBay’s broadside of contentions with respect to the validity of the

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